EMERGENCY U.S. PASSPORT INFORMATION

U.S. Embassy Guatemala City (November 2008)

Individuals in need of an emergency passport are not required to make an appointment. They may visit the American Citizens Services Unit during normal business hours for assistance. Emergency passports are generally issued to individuals whose passports have been lost or stolen and have immediate travel plans or those who have a medical emergency and do not have a valid passport.

LOST, STOLEN OR MUTILATED PASSPORT

To replace a lost, stolen or mutilated passport submit the following:

- 1. Evidence of U.S. citizenship. The most common evidence of citizenship is a U.S. birth certificate (original or certified copy), Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United Sates of America (Form FS-240 hereafter CRBA), Certification of Report of Birth (Form DS-1350), Certificate of Citizenship, Naturalization Certificate, expired U.S. passport, etc.
- 2. Proof of identity. The most common are driver's license, previous passports, school identification card, school diploma, residency card or any other government/official document with name and picture. If the applicant is a minor, family photographs of the child in the United States will have to be presented.
- 3. Three (3) color passport photos, 2" x 2" on a white background.
- 4. Fees are \$97.00 for adults (16 and older) and \$82.00 for children.
- 5. **For replacement applications for children under 16 years old,** both parents must appear with the child and sign the application. (This requirement takes effect February 1, 2008 previously the age limit was 14)
 - If only one parent is present, the applying parent must submit a signed notarized statement in English from the non-applying parent consenting to the passport issuance or primary evidence of sole authority to apply, such as one of the following: a) a court order of sole custody; b) death certificate of the non-applying parent; or c) a birth certificate that lists only the applying parent. If no such evidence is available, the applying parent should submit a signed notarized statement in English, that includes the child's name and date of birth, explaining why the non-applying parent's consent cannot be obtained.
 - **If neither parent is present**, a notarized written statement or affidavit in English signed by both parents authorizing a third-party to apply for

a passport must be submitted. When the statement is from only one parent, the third-party must present evidence of sole custody of the authorizing parent.

The application must also include the following:

- Long form of the birth certificate that includes the names of the child's parents.
- Proof of identity of both parents or the authorized third party

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

In the event of a medical emergency and expired passport submit the following:

- 1. Your most recent passport. If your most recent passport is unavailable, please read instructions above for lost or stolen passport.
- 2. Three (3) color passport photos, 2" x 2" on white background.
- 3. Fees are \$67.00 for adults, \$82.00 for children under 16, and \$97.00 for those applicants 16 and older whose previous passport was valid for only 5 years.
- 4. Family photographs may be required in order to establish the growth of minor children. These photos should range between the age in which their previous passport was issued up to their current age.
- 5. **For renewal applications for children under 16 years old,** both parents must appear with the child and sign the application. (This requirement takes effect February 1, 2008 previously the age limit was 14)
 - If only one parent is present, the applying parent must submit a signed notarized statement in English from the non-applying parent consenting to the passport issuance or primary evidence of sole authority to apply, such as one of the following: a) a court order of sole custody; b) death certificate of the non-applying parent; or c) a birth certificate that lists only the applying parent. If no such evidence is available, the applying parent should submit a signed notarized statement in English that includes the child's name and date of birth, explaining why the non-applying parent's consent cannot be obtained.
 - If neither parent is present, a notarized written statement or affidavit in English signed by both parents authorizing a third-party to apply for a passport must be submitted. When the statement is from only one parent, the third-party must present evidence of sole custody of the authorizing parent.

The application must also include the following:

- A long form of the birth certificate that includes the names of the child's parents.
- Proof of identity of both parents or the authorized third party.

In the event of a medical emergency and first time passport application submit the following:

- 1. Proof of U.S. Citizenship: The most common evidence of citizenship is one of the following: a U.S. birth certificate (original or certified copy), Certificate of Naturalization from DHS, an expired fully valid U.S. passport, or Consular Report of Birth Abroad, (Form FS-240). Other acceptable proof includes Certification of Birth Abroad (Form DS-1350) or a Certificate of Citizenship from DHS. NOTE: Social security cards, driver's licenses, and voter registration cards are NOT proof of citizenship.
- 2. Proof of identity: Common proofs of identity include: driver's license, passports of another nationality, school identification card, school diploma, or residency card. Acceptable proof is any government/official document with **both name and picture**. If the applicant is a minor who has not had a previous U.S. passport, family photographs of the child in the Unites States are required. NOTE: A birth certificate is NOT proof of identity.
- 3. Three (3) color passport photos, 2" x 2" on a white background.
- 4. Fees are \$97.00 for adults (16 and older) and \$82.00 for children.
- 5. **For applications for children under 16 years old,** both parents must appear with the child and sign the application. (This requirement takes effect February 1, 2008 previously the age limit was 14)
 - If only one parent is present, the applying parent must submit a signed notarized statement in English from the non-applying parent consenting to the passport issuance or primary evidence of sole authority to apply, such as one of the following: a) a court order of sole custody; b) death certificate of the non-applying parent; or c) a birth certificate that lists only the applying parent. If no such evidence is available, the applying parent should submit a signed notarized statement in English, that includes the child's name and date of birth, explaining why the non-applying parent's consent cannot be obtained.

• If neither parent is present, a notarized written statement or affidavit in English signed by both parents authorizing a third-party to apply for a passport must be submitted. When the statement is from only one parent, the third-party must present evidence of sole custody of the authorizing parent.

The application must also include the following:

- Long form of the birth certificate that includes the names of the child's parents.
- Proof of identity of both parents or the authorized third party.